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SUBJECT: VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER EVERTSZ

1. ON AUGUST 6, PRIME MINISTER JUAN G.M. EVERTSZ, FINANCE MINISTER DE KORT, MR. HENRIQUEZ, MR. LOEWENTHAL AND MR. MULLINS AND MR. REALE OF SILVERSTEIN AND MULLINS, MET WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY KUBISCH.

2. MR. KUBISCH WELCOMED EVERTSZ AND HIS PARTY AND EXPRESSED REGRET ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY THAT MR. KISSINGER WOULD BE UNABLE TO MEET WITH THEM. MR. EVERTSZ RESPONDED WARMLY NOTING THE LONG AND CONTINUING FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE US AND THE NA.

3. EVERTSZ THEN ASKED HENRIQUEZ TO REVIEW THE GNA'S INTEREST IN A RECENT DECISION OF IRS NOT TO RULE ON THE TAX STATUS OF OFFSHORE US FIRMS WHICH WILL SERIOUSLY DISRUPT THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF THESE FIRMS IN THE NA. HE FURTHER EMPHASIZED THE LOSS IN REVENUE THIS WOULD CAUSE TO THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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4. NOTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS PRIMARILY CONCERNED WITH THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS ASPECTS OF ANY GIVEN ISSUE, MR. KUBISCH SUGGESTED THAT THE DELEGATION SHOULD DISCUSS THIS ISSUE IN THEIR MEETINGS WITH TREASURY AND IRS OFFICIALS. MR. KUBISCH ACKNOWLEDGED THAT WE WERE AWARE THE IMPACT OF THIS SITUATION

ON THE ECONOMY AND STABILITY OF THE NA.

5. IN DISCUSSING THE INEVITABILITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MR. EVERTSZ EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE CLOSE TIES THE NA ENJOYS WITH THE US WILL BE FURTHER STRENGTHENED. MR. KUBISCH CONCURRED IN THAT DESIRE, BUT MADE CLEAR THAT THE GNA SHOULD NOT ANTICIPATE ANY MATERIAL US ASSISTANCE. HE INQUIRED WHETHER THE PRIME MINISTER EXPECTED THAT THE DUTCH WOULD PLAY A CONTINUING ROLE IN THE AREA OF DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO THE NA, AND THE PM INDICATED THAT HE THOUGHT SO.

6. DEPARTURE COURTESIES WERE EXCHANGED AND MR. KUBISCH ASSURED MR. EVERTSZ THAT HE, MEMBERS OF HIS GOVERNMENT, AND HIS REPRESENTATIVE IN THE US WOULD BE MOST WELCOME AT THE DEPARTMENT AT ANY TIME. KISSINGER

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